

News Release

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Safe and secure parking for O-Bahn commuters at Tea Tree Plaza

Premier Jay Weatherill said today the State Government plans to build a \$14 million multi-level car park at Modbury to provide safe and secure park-and-ride facilities for O-Bahn passengers.

“This Government is wholeheartedly committed to improving Adelaide’s public transport system,” Mr Weatherill said.

“The O-Bahn is Adelaide’s most popular public transport corridor. That’s why we are investing \$17.1 million on better car parking, bike storage and improved safety and amenities.

“Spending on the O-Bahn network complements the billions of dollars being invested across Adelaide to improve our road, rail and tram services and create jobs for South Australians.”

Minister for Transport and Infrastructure Tom Koutsantonis said the 700-car space facility increases the park-and-ride capacity adjacent to the Tea Tree Plaza Interchange by 75%, allowing commuters to park undercover 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

“The upgraded park-and-ride facilities at Modbury will meet the expected increase in commuter demand at the Tea Tree Plaza O-Bahn Interchange until 2021,” he said.

“Most importantly for people living in the area, the new facilities will help alleviate commuter car parking congestion in surrounding residential streets.”

Mr Koutsantonis said construction is expected to begin next month and be completed by the end of the year. Up to 40 workers are to be employed on site during the 9-month construction.

Work to be considered this week by the parliamentary Public Works Committee include:

- capacity to allow commuters to pay for parking using the Metrocard system when exiting;
- construction of a disability compliant access path between the Interchange and car park;
- inclusion of a lift and stairs to provide access between each level;
- monitored security system and lighting on each level with lighting around the perimeter;
- energy efficient design principles and stormwater reticulation and;
- four motorcycle spaces and 14 spaces for people with disabilities.

Ancillary works include upgrading the O-Bahn Access Road to safely accommodate access to the car park for cars, and the movement of buses entering and exiting the Interchange.

Smart Road will also be upgraded to safely accommodate additional traffic on the access road.